



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 6655

Fusazumi MASAKA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

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Examiner: Ben LEWIS

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For: MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR MEMBRANE-ELECTRODE ASSEMBLIES

NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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October 16, 2007

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Advisory Action dated September 19, 2007 finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4-6 and 8-15. The \$510.00 fee for filing a Notice of Appeal is included in the enclosed check.

The statutory period for response to the Office Action dated April 19, 2007 expired on July 19, 2007 and was extended two months from July 19, 2007 to September 19, 2007 by the Petition for Extension of Time and accompanying fee filed on August 23, 2007. It is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for a third month from September 19, 2007 to October 19, 2007. Accordingly, the amount of \$600.00 for a third month extension of time is included in our check.

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Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Counsel's Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket Number 026035-00010.

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